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Sub.: Restriction on number of Nomination papers for local body elections.

Whereas, under Article 243K of the Constitution of India, read with Section 237 (1) of the Goa Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, the State Election Commission is vested with the power of Superintendence, direction and control for, Conduct of all elections to the Panchayat or Zilla Panchayat.

And whereas, under Article 243ZA of the Constitution of India, read with Section 10A of the Goa Municipalities Act, 1968, the State Election Commission is vested with the powers of Superintendence, direction and control for the conduct of elections to the Municipal Councils.

And whereas, under Article 243ZA of the Constitution of India, read with Section 11(1) of the City of Panaji Corporation Act, 2002, the State Election Commission is vested with the powers of Superintendence, direction and control for the conduct of the elections to the Corporation.

And whereas, the Rule 12(4) of the Goa Panchayat and Zilla Panchayat (Election Procedure) Rules, 1996 specifies that "Not More than two nomination papers shall be presented by any candidate or accepted by the Returning Officer for election in the same ward or Constituency, as the case may be."

And whereas, Rule 12 of the Goa Municipalities (Election) Rules, 1969 and Rule 12 of the Corporation of the City of Panaji (Election) Rules, 2004 are silent on the restriction on the number of nomination papers to be submitted.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Rule 64 of the Goa Municipalities (Election) Rules, 1969 and Rule 101 of the Corporation of the City of Panaji (Election) Rules, 2004, I, Chokha Ram Garg, State Election Commissioner, Goa do hereby direct as follows:

- Not More than two nomination papers shall be presented by any candidate or accepted by the Returning Officer for election in the same ward of the Municipal Council.
- Not More than two nomination papers shall be presented by any candidate or accepted by the Returning Officer for election in the same ward of the Corporation of the City of Panaji.

Chokha Ram Garg, IAS, Commissioner (Goa State Election Commission).

Panaji, 25th February, 2021.

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